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SUMMARY: COMMITTEE AGREED: (1) AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY 22-23 PLENARY
SESSION, (2) THAT HILEX -8 CIVIL EMERGENCY PLANNING (CEP) PLAY
INCLUDE REINFORCEMENT, REFUGEE AND COMMODITY AND RELATED TRANSPORT
PROBLEMS AND (3) THAT US PROVIDE A COPY OF THE PRESENTATION ON
NATO CIVIL WARTIME AGENCIES (NCWAS) AND THE ALERT SYSTEM FOR
AGENDA ITEM IV. END SUMMARY.

1. ALL COUNTRIES WERE REPRESENTED EXCEPT ICELAND AND PORTUGAL
WITH IMS AND SHAPE REPS IN ATTENDANCE. COMMITTEE CONCLUDED AGENDA
IN ONE DAY. ACTION TAKEN ON AGENDA ITEMS (REF A) IS AS FOLLOWS:

2. I. DECISION SHEETS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

II. SUMMARY RECORD OF JUNE 1976 PLENARY SESSION - THESE AGENDA ITEMS HANDLED BY COMMITTEE IN CONSONANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS (REF B).

III. GENERAL POLICY ON CIVIL COMMUNICATIONS UNDER NATO CIVIL EMERGENCY ARRANGEMENTS - COMMITTEE APPROVED CIVIL COMMUNICATIONS PLANNING COMMITTEE (CCPC) DOCUMENT AGREEING TO FORWARD IT TO COUNCIL FOR NOTING UNDER SILENCE PROCEDURE WITH APPROPRIATE COVER NOTE. NETHERLANDS REP (HOFMAN) RECOMMENDED CCPC NOW PROCEED WITH DEVELOPMENT OF NEW TERMS OF REFERENCE.

IV. ARRANGEMENTS FOR BRINGING NCSAS INTO OPERATION - CHAIRMAN (DEVEGLIA) INDICATED SINCE THE US COMMENTS ON AC/98-WP/112 AND AC/98-WP/121 HAD NOT BEEN DISTRIBUTED, HE WOULD NOTE THAT OTHER NATIONAL REPS WHO MAY COMMENT WERE SPEAKING ON A PERSONAL BASIS. US PRESENTATION WAS THEN MADE AND RECEIVED CRITICAL COMMENT, PARTICULARLY ON THE PART OF THE NETHERLANDS AND ITALIAN REPS. NORWEGIAN REP (BERNHARDSEN) INDICATED WHILE HIS COMMENT DID NOT DIRECTLY APPLY TO THE US PRESENTATION, HIS AUTHORITIES VIEWED WITH INCREASING CONCERN THE NUMBER OF MEASURES IN THE ALERT SYSTEM WHICH WOULD COMPLICATE MATTERS CONSIDERABLY. THE CHAIRMAN SUMMED UP COMMITTEE DECISION STATING: THE US PAPER WOULD BE CIRCULATED - NOTING THE IMPORTANCE OF CATEGORIZATION OF CEP MEASURES, - THE CONFIDENTIAL

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ITALIAN REQUEST FOR IMS COMMENTS ON US PAPER AND, THAT IT WAS UNLIKELY SCEPC COULD RE-ADDRESS THE SUBJECT UNTIL ITS MAY MEETING. COMMENT: USNATO WILL CONDENSE SPEAKING NOTES, AND WILL INCLUDE RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO AC/98-WP/112 AND AC/98-WP/121 AND WILL ALSO INCLUDE COPIES OF LAST THREE VIEWGRAPHS AS PACKAGE FOR DISTRIBUTION IN AC/98 SERIES. THE COMMENTS OF NETHERLANDS REP WERE IN VERY CONSERVATIVE TONE - ANTI-CRISIS ORIENTED - INDICATING THRUST OF US OBJECTIVES OF FLEXIBILITY AND REDUCTION OF NUMBER OF MEASURES WAS DIRECTED AT AVOIDING COUNCIL DEBATE AND DECISION ON NCWAS. HE VIEWED US STATEMENT THAT CURRENT AND PROPOSED SYSTEM TOO COMPLICATED AS A STATEMENT WITHOUT PROOF. ITALIAN AND GERMAN COMMENTS GENERALLY ORIENTED TO PROTECTING VIEWPOINTS DEVELOPED IN WORKING GROUP SESSIONS HEAVILY LARDED WITH USUAL UK HOME OFFICE ATTITUDE THAT NCWAS WERE A LAST RESORT APPARATUS.

V. EVACUATION OF RHINE SHIPPING: REVISED RHINE EVACUATION MANUAL AND CIVIL MEASURES PROPOSED FOR INCLUSION IN THE MNC'S ALERT SYSTEM - THE CHAIRMAN CLOSED ANY DISCUSSION ON THIS ITEM SINCE IT SHOULD BE DEALT WITH AS A PACKAGE WITH PREVIOUS AGENDA ITEM.

VI. STAFFING OF NCWAS, INCLUDING SECURITY CLEARANCE AND IDENTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL - THE CHAIRMAN STATED THAT UK HAD MADE AN EXCELLENT JOB OF COMMENTING AND PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO PRESENT SYSTEM SUGGESTING THAT COMMITTEE ACCEPT AND PUT UK

PROPOSALS IN NEW DOCUMENT. COMMITTEE AGREED THAT US AND UK REPS WILL INCORPORATE THEIR NATIONAL PROPOSALS INTO A NEW DRAFT FOR DISCUSSION BY OPEN-ENDED SCEPC AD HOC GROUP FOR SUBSEQUENT COMMITTEE DISCUSSION.

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VII. EXERCISES

A. WINTEX-77 - THE CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCED THAT STAFFING ARRANGEMENTS WERE COMPLETED FOR PLAYING WINTEX-77, WITH CONSULTANTS BEING DRAWN FROM CENSHADCOM AND ACTICE IN SUPPORT OF SCEPC PLAY WHILE MR. REVIRON (IS) WOULD SUPPORT BOARD FOR THE COORDINATION OF CIVIL AVIATION (BOCCA) ACTIVITIES. BOCCA WOULD BE CONDUCTING A CONFIDENTIAL

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TRAINING EXERCISE AT SHAPE IN CONJUNCTION WITH WINTEX. CIVSITREPS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED STARTING AT X PLUS 3 AND CONTINUE TO THE END OF PERIOD 2 AND SHOULD BE AS OF 0100 ZULU FOR NORTH AMERICAN COUNTRIES AND 2100 ZULU FOR EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. SCEPC PLAY IS

EXPECTED TO COMMENCE AT X PLUS 5. THE FRG REP (OTTERMANN) REQUESTED THE SCEPC NOT LIMIT ITSELF TO REINFORCEMENT BUT BE OPEN TO PLAYING OTHER MATTERS. GREEK REP (KYRIAKOS) ADVISED THAT WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE EXERCISE.

B. HILEX-8 - AFTER HEARING OUTLINE OF EXERCISE GIVEN BY MR. SUNGURTEKIN (COUNCIL OPERATIONS AND EXERCISE COMMITTEE (COEC)) WHO REQUESTED CEP INPUTS, THE COMMITTEE AGREED THAT REINFORCEMENT AND REFUGEE MATTERS COULD BE PLAYED WITH COMMODITY AND TRANSPORT PLAY TO BE DEVELOPED BY THE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE PLANNING COMMITTEE/INDUSTRIAL PLANNING COMMITTEE (FAPC/IPC) JOINT WORKING GROUP (REF B). FRG REP SUGGESTED TESTING RESULTS OF PLANNING BOARD FOR EUROPEAN INLAND SURFACE TRANSPORT (PBEIST) STUDY GROUP EFFORTS ON BENELUX LINES OF COMMUNICATION (LOC) AND POSSIBLE PLAY BASED ON SOVIET SHIPPING POLICY. HE FURTHER SUGGESTED THE SCEPC MIGHT ACT AS RESPONSE CELL FOR ACTIVITIES OF OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. NETHERLANDS REP SUGGESTED REINFORCEMENT PLAY ONLY AND THAT REFUGEE SITUATION MIGHT RESEMBLE A DISASTER RELIEF PROBLEM BEFORE COMMENCEMENT OF HOSTILITIES. HE CAUTIONED THAT SCEPC SHOULD NOT TRY TO INCLUDE PROBLEMS WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE AN IMMEDIATE DECISION. CANADIAN REP (LUNN), RECALLING THAT THEY HAD INSISTED ON THIS SUBJECT BEING INSCRIBED ON EACH PLENARY AGENDA, STATED THE TREND OF THINKING OF HIS AUTHORITIES REGARDING EXERCISES WAS THAT THERE SHOULD ONLY BE ONE MAJOR NATO EXERCISE EVERY TWO YEARS WITH MINOR ACTIVITY E.G., POLITICAL/MILITARY SIMULATIONS DURING THE INTERVAL. THE CANADIANS FELT IT WAS NOT POSSIBLE TO ADEQUATELY FOLLOW UP ON ONE EXERCISE BEFORE BEING ENGAGED IN THE NEXT. THE CHAIRMAN STATED THAT THE DIRECTORATE COULD NOT SUSTAIN THE WORK LOAD WITH THE PRESENT STAFF AND THAT A PO ON THIS SUBJECT WILL BE CONFIDENTIAL

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FORTHCOMING. COMMITTEE NOTED US COMMENTS ON RELATIONSHIP OF PREPARATORY WORK ON HILEX-8 AND WINTEX/CIMEX 79. FYI: CHAIRMAN HAD ADVISED US REP PRIVATELY THAT SYG WAS TO ISSUE PO ACCEPTING GEN. HAIG'S SUGGESTION THAT NATO HQS BE SPONSORING AGENCY FOR WINTEX/CIMEX 79. SYG, HOWEVER, WAS PLEADING LACK OF STAFF AND TO PROPERLY MOUNT EXERCISE, INDICATING CEP DIRECTORATE AND COEC WOULD EACH, REPEAT EACH, NEED TWO A.4 POSITIONS. END FYI.

VIII. AGENDA FOR THE FEBRUARY PLENARY SESSION - COMMITTEE AGREED AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY 22-23 PLENARY NOTING THAT ASYG MUMFORD WOULD ALSO BE AVAILABLE FOR 24TH AND 25TH SINCE PRIOR COMMITMENTS ON THESE DATES MAY NOT MATERIALIZE. NETHERLANDS REP REITERATED POSITION THAT DOCUMENT AC/98-WP/126 (REVISED) WAS TO BE A STAFF PAPER AND NOT TO PRESS NATIONS TO ADOPT DOCUMENT. HE FURTHER STATED THAT ANNEX (ON THE THREAT) TO AC/98-WP/125 SHOULD BE PART OF THE WP/126 PAPER. COMMITTEE NOTED THAT AGENDA ITEM IV - EXERCISES, (C) WINTEX/CIMEX 79 - WOULD ONLY CONSIST OF ORAL

UPDATING. COMMITTEE ALSO NOTED THA AC/98-R/116 WOULD BE ON THE AGENDA AS ITEM I FOR APPROVAL. CHAIRMAN ADVISED IN RESPONSE TO US REQUEST THAT NORWAY WAS THE COUNTRY REQUESTING WP/126 BE ADOPTED AS A PAPER RATHER THAN A STAFF REPORT. AGENDA ITEM V - CRISIS REINFORCEMENT CONCEPT PROPOSED FOR PLENARY WAS SUBJECT OF INFORMAL SCEPC MEETING ON FEBRUARY 7 REPORTED SEPTEL.

IX. ANY OTHER BUSINESS - SCEPC AGREED TO MEET, AS SUGGESTED BY CHARIMAN, ONE OR TWO TIMES IN INFORMAL SESSION TO REVIEW ALL PLANNING BOARD AND COMMITTEE PROGRESS REPORTS FOR 1976 ALONG WITH AC/98-WP/127. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING OF SCEPC IS MARCH 24-25, 1977. STRAUZ-HUPE

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